



# PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

(RCW 34.05.310)

CR-101 (7/22/01)

Do **NOT** use for expedited rule making

**Agency:** Office of the Insurance Commissioner

**Subject of possible rule making:** Revise WAC 284-24-065 to simplify process for insurers to demonstrate rates comply with RCW 48.19.020.

Insurance Commissioner Matter No. R 2003-05

**(a) Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject:** RCWs 48.02.060, 48.19.020, 48.19.080

**(b) Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish:** Insurers are required to submit data that shows they have considered their cost of capital when establishing their rates. The Commissioner will consider rules that will make it easier for insurers to show their rates will produce a reasonable operating ratio.

**(c) Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:**  
None

**(d) Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):**

- ☐ Negotiated rule making
- ☐ Pilot rule making
- ☒ Agency study
- ☐ Other (describe)

**(e) How interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication:**  
(List names, addresses, telephone, fax numbers of persons to contact; describe meetings, other exchanges of information, etc.)

Please submit written comments by October 31, 2003 to:

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